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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements filed in the instant application on June 12, 2000 and November 19, 2002, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection dated March 18, 2003 for corresponding Japanese Application No. 11-288174, to the Examiner's attention:

- (1) Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 11-266278, published on September 28, 1999, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (2) Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 10-84380, published on March 31, 1998; and

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(3) Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. 2000-41131, published on February 8, 2000, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

Applicant notes that the relevance of each of the above-mentioned documents with respect to the various claims of the JP application, as well as the relevant passages of these documents, is as discussed in the Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection, a copy of which (together with a partial English language translation) is attached hereto. Applicant notes that document (2) was previously submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on November 19, 2002, and thus, a copy of the same is not attached hereto.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the above documents. Copies of the above-noted documents (except document (2)) are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to issuance of a Final Office Action on the merits, Applicant has provided below a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), and a check including the amount of \$180.00 to cover

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the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is being submitted herewith in accordance with 37

C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(2).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item

of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any

communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more

than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this

statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the

Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no

certification is necessary.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the

undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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